

The Newton County Health Department would like to announce their next round of novel H1N1 influenza vaccination clinics, which will take place on a rotating basis at all the county elementary schools, during school hours, between the dates of November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup>. Details regarding these clinics are still being finalized. The clinics will be for each school's attendees only, and are not open to the general public. Parents can expect to receive a consent form as well as information regarding the novel H1N1 vaccination; this consent form will need to be filled out and returned to the school prior to the clinic.

Any child that is not able to attend school that day, attends school outside of the county, or is home-schooled, please contact the Newton County Health Department at 219.285.2052 to discuss an alternate vaccination time.

All remaining members of the H1N1 high-risk populations (children 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up through 24 years of age, children 6 months through kindergarten age, household contacts of children less than 6 months of age, and adults 24-64 years of age with chronic medical conditions) will be vaccinated via clinics as vaccine supply allows. Please understand that all high-risk group individuals are important, and that the health department is doing their best to vaccinate as quickly as possible in an organized fashion. All clinics will be announced in local media (newspaper and radio) prior to their occurrence.

For current, accurate information regarding the H1N1 influenza, please contact your primary care physician, or visit the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's website at [www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/).